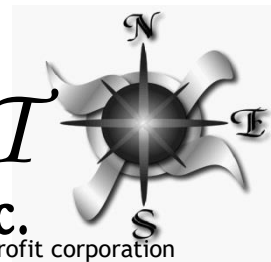


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A Note from the President

Summer is finally here! All of these afternoon thunderstorms have certainly helped our lawns stay lush and green! If you're one of those homeowners struggling with those tall, gangly weeds that shoot up between mowings, please consider a 'post-emergent' or weed-n-feed product to eliminate those pesky weeds.

If you've received our recent e-mail blast, you know that we've asked that you look at your home exterior with a fresh pair of eyes. Issues like mildew, peeling paint, and rotting fascia boards are prevalent with the recent heavy rains. Please take the time to remedy these issues around your home and to stay off the "DRV" (deed restriction violation).radar.

Speaking of DRV's, please read below for more information on an upcoming vote at our July 22 meeting.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 713-294-8344 or send an email to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com

-Rosanna Hinde

Votes to be Taken at July 22 Meeting

Houston, we have bid packages! A big "thank you" to John Benton, Pam Ziegenbein and the Park Improvement team for working on this project. We'll vote to select new contractors to begin work as soon as possible on our little park.

Also, your Officers have heard you loud and clear! In order to maintain complete impartiality when monitoring the neighborhood for Deed Restriction Violations, we will take a vote for passing on this responsibility to Crest Management for the bargain-price of \$300 per month (Real Manage charged \$500, which we did not take advantage of). Their system is fully automated, far more timely and efficient, but most of all, completely impartial and would not result in an increase of dues. Please let your voice be heard on this important issue by attending the July 22 meeting.

Nottingham West Notes

Yard of the Month

Our neighborhood has some lovely landscaping! 2nd quarter winners are:

- **April:** 863 Carlingford
- **May:** 14027 Woodthorpe
- **June:** 14130 St. Mary's

Congratulations to all the winners!

Check out photos of the winning homes on the Nottingham West website. Submit nominations for Yard of the Month by email or contact an NWCC officer.

Home Security Tips

- Keep porch lights on at night, front and back
- Lock the back gate.
- Use your home alarm and list Precinct 5 Constable as the first responder.
- Report suspicious people, vehicles or behavior to the Constable at 281-463-6666.



**Welcome
New
Neighbors!!**

NWCC warmly welcomes our new neighbors. We hope to see you at the Civic Club meeting this month. If you have any questions, please contact any of the NWCC officers, "like" our FB page ("Nottingham West Neighborhood") or visit the Nottingham West [website](#).

Neighborhood Security

- Call the Precinct 5 Constable at 281-463-6666 to report suspicious persons or vehicles. **Always dial 9-1-1 in an emergency.**
- If you're heading out of town, be sure to notify the Constable.
- E-mail us at nottinghamwest@hotmail.com if you would like to receive e-mails about neighborhood security incidents.

Planning Exterior Improvements?

Send the details to the Architectural Control Committee at nottinghamwest@hotmail.com. **THIS INCLUDES EXTERIOR PAINT COLORS.**

Phone and E-Mail Contact Info

The Civic Club is collecting homeowner contact information to be used in case of emergency. If we don't have your contact details, please send phone and address to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com.

New Facebook Page and NWCC Web Site

Follow us on Facebook (Nottingham West Neighborhood) for helpful information on NWCC meetings, trash pick-up, pool & park hours, or visit www.nottinghamwest.net.

Crest Management

Visit www.crestmanagement.com to pay NWCC assessments online and review financial statements and other information.

NWCC Officers

Rosanna Hinde, President
John Benton, Vice President
Pam Ziegenbein, Treasurer
Angie Lootens, Secretary

Block Captains Needed!

How many times have you needed an extra egg while preparing those cupcakes at the last minute for a birthday party? Maybe it was a teaspoon of chili powder for dinner that you forgot to buy? If you get to know your neighbors, you could save yourself the frustration of running to the store for that ONE item. Get friendly—throw a block party, or become your block captain! No special skills required—just the desire to know your neighbors and the ability to socialize! No newsletters to distribute, no fancy parties in your home... just a good ol' fashioned block party with food and fun. Email us at nottinghamwest@hotmail.com to indicate your interest.



Trash Pickup Reminder

Trash pick-up happens every Tuesday and Friday at 7 a.m. The teams start promptly, so it's best to put trash cans out the night before. Recycling and heavy trash are picked up on Fridays only. If you have a large amount of trash or debris, plan to dispose of it over several pickups. Excess trash (more than 8-10 bags/bundles) will be collected on the next scheduled pick up. Or, you can schedule a separate pick-up with VF, for an additional fee. Contact VF Waste Services customer service team at 713-787-9790 or by email at vfwaste@vfwasteservices.com.



Keep these property maintenance tips in mind: mow and edge weekly, keep weeds under control, make sure all planting materials, RVs, Boats, Trailers, etc.. are kept out of sight. Ask the ACC for approval before having a storage pod or dumpster delivered to your lot.

July Quarterly Meeting Agenda

The quarterly meeting of the Nottingham West Civic Club will be held on **Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at 7:30 pm**. The meeting will be held in the **Nottingham Park Meeting Room, 926 Country Place Dr**. We hope to see you there!

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
- 3) Adoption of the Minutes
- 4) Constables Report
- 5) Officer Reports
 - a) President
 - b) Vice President
 - c) Treasurer / Crest Management
 - d) Secretary
- 6) Committee Reports
 - a) Architectural Control
 - b) Park Committee
- 7) New Business
 - a) Park Upgrade Bid Selection Vote
 - b) Deed Restriction Monitoring Vote
- 8) Floor Motions
 - a) Two minute limit per homeowner
- 9) Proposed Business for October Meeting

**Nottingham West Civic Club
April 22, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:35 with 24 households represented.
- 2) Agenda was adopted.
- 3) Prior meeting minutes approved as printed.
- 4) Constables Report: Quiet in Nottingham West!
 - Submit vacation watch forms online.
 - Call Constable if you notice anything unusual at a construction site. If you suspect unauthorized dumping into worksite dumpsters, note the license plate and contact the constable.
 - Precinct 5 Constable has a new website and you can also check FaceBook for link to videos.
- 5) Officer's Reports
 - President – Rosanna Hinde
 - a. Welcome to new homeowners.
 - b. NWCC will circulate reminder before trash pickup holidays, like Good Friday. There are four holidays that our trash company observes and trash is not picked up: Good Friday, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. This year, both December 25 and January 1, 2016 fall on a trash pick-up day (Friday).
 - c. Cars are sometimes speeding through the neighborhood. Rosanna has investigated purchasing yard signs that say "SLOW DOWN". If we purchase 50 signs, the cost for one sign is just \$4.
 - Vice President – John Benton
 - Pool opens May 16 from 10 – 8 and will be open weekends in May. Once school is out, regular pool hours will take effect
 - Extending Tuesday pool hours from 6 pm to 8 pm to be consistent with the rest of the week.
 - Some may have noticed the pool water was dark for a few days. This has been corrected and resulted from leaf clogs in the filter.
 - Equipment upgrades this year – floats, lifeguard umbrella and back board.
 - Toilet will be fixed by May 16; Knoblesdorf's will donate toilet fixture if needed.
 - Resident reported an issue with water pressure when water is on for the slide.
 - Treasurer – Pam Ziegenbein
 - a. DRV reviews will begin soon.
 - b. Call 311 to report car violations (e.g., cars parked on the street for more than 24 hours)
 - Secretary – Angie Lootens
 - a. Advise NWCC of any e-mail address changes to ensure you receive newsletters and other neighborhood information.
- 6) Committee Reports
 - Architectural Control Committee Report
 - Preston Mood provided an update on the status of new homes under construction in the neighborhood.
 - All external changes to homes (new paint, roof, driveway etc..) and major landscape updates that are visible from the street must be submitted to ACC for approval **before** work begins.
 - Crest Management Financial Update
 - 87% of assessments have been collected - great rate
 - Last meeting we approved audit of the books. Regular CPA bid was \$4900 but only \$3500 was approved. Lowest bidder was chosen and audit will be performed.
- 7) Park Update
 - Abandoning the concrete walkway which is causing our permits to be rejected by the City. Crushed gravel will be used instead.
 - Homeowners will vote to award construction contract at July meeting.
- 8) New business
 - National Night Out – May or October?
 - Vote in favor of October.
- 9) Floor Motions
 - Kaitlyn Knobelsdorf shared her research on neighborhood plats
 - Heidi Horton would like to open the pool for lap swimmers outside of established pool hours and without lifeguards. Additional research required and this topic will be added to the July meeting.
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Minutes approved by: Rosanna Hinde, John Benton, Angela Lootens, Pam Ziegenbein